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# Next FNW Meeting:

Monday, September 28th

7:00 PM

Frisco Police Station

7200 Stonebrook Parkway

## **Upcoming Events:**

- \* Saturday, Sept 26th
  Green Home, Health and
  Safety Fair
  Frisco Athletic Center
  9:00 AM—1:00 PM
- \* Monday, Sept 28th FNW Meeting @ 7PM
- \* Sept 30th—Oct 2nd Battle of the Badges Blood Drive—Various locations - see page 2.
- \* Saturday, Oct 10th
  Police vs Fire Basketball
  Game—Frisco High
  School 7:00 PM
- \* Tuesday, Oct 13th
  National Night Out
  Various times & locals

# The Watchdog

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# National Night Out - October 13, 2009



What is
National
Night Out?
It's America's
Night Out
against crime!
The 26th
Annual
National Night
Out (NNO) is

scheduled for <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>October 13<sup>th</sup></u>. NNO is a unique crime/drug prevention event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW).

National Night Out was introduced by NATW in 1984. NNO began as an effort to heighten awareness and strengthen participation in local anticrime efforts but expanded nationally. Typically NNO is held the first Tuesday of August each year. Texas is the only state who holds the event in October. The move to October is due to the extreme temperatures usually found in the month of August.

While the traditional 'lights on' and front porch vigils remain a part of NNO, activities have expanded considerably over the years to include block parties, cookouts, parades, visits from police, festivals, neighborhood walks, safety fairs, contests, rallies and meetings.

It is a wonderful opportunity for communities nationwide to promote police-community partnerships, crime prevention, and neighborhood camaraderie. While the one night is certainly not an answer to crime, drugs and violence, NNO does represent the kind of spirit, energy and determination that is helping to make many neighborhoods safer places throughout this year. It is a night to celebrate safety and crime prevention successes — and to expand and strengthen programs for the next 364 days.

Frisco Police personnel will be making their rounds to meet citizens and share in the festivities, in addition to fire personnel, city council members, Mayor Maher Maso, and team members from local Target stores. Target is a corporate sponsor of NNO.

Leading up to NNO, the City of Frisco festivities begin with a *Battle of the Badges* blood drive which matches the city's finest police and fire departments against one another to see who can donate the most, all going to a charitable cause. The *Green Home, Health & Safety Fair* is back again and is designed to promote safety, education and awareness within the community. Following the blood drive and safety fair is the *Good vs. Good Basketball Game*. Come and watch the best players from the police and fire departments shoot hoops against each other. See page 2 for all event details.

To register your block party, please go to <a href="https://www.frisconeighborhoodwatch.com">www.frisconeighborhoodwatch.com</a> and click on NNO (on the left side of the page). There you will find a link to the 2009 registration from.

For more information on this year's National Night Out, please contact the Frisco Police Department's Community Services Division at 972.292.6144 or <a href="mailto:services@friscotexas.gov">services@friscotexas.gov</a>.

### FNW MEETING

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Monday, September 28th @ 7PM Frisco Police Station

**TOPIC**: School Resource Officers SRO Tony Rike Presenting

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# National Night Out - Schedule of Events

The Green Home, Health & Safety Fair will be held on Saturday. September 26th from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Frisco Athletic Center (5828 Nancy Jane Lane).

#### **Battle of the Badges blood drive** will



run from September 30th to October 2nd. You can donate (for the Police of course) at the following locations between 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM each day:

- Wed. Sept 30th—Frisco City Hall (6101 Frisco Square Blvd.)
- Thurs, Oct 1st—Frisco Police Dept (7200 Stonebrook Pkwy)
- Fri, Oct 2nd—Frisco Fire Dept (8601 Gary Burns Dr.)

Good vs. Good Basketball Game is set for Saturday, Oct 10th at 7:00 PM at Frisco High School (6401 Parkwood Blvd). The basketball game pits the best players from the police and fire departments against one another.

# National Night Out Activity Ideas

Don't know what to do for your National Night Out block party? You can make this as small or as big as you would like. Try some of these ideas:

#### Simple Refreshments:

- Bring your favorite snack
- Coffee, Tea and dessert
- Cookie exchange
- Fruit and cheese plates
- Hot dogs and brats
- Ice cream cones/sundaes
- Popcorn
- Potluck
- Root beer floats
- Watermelon

#### Group conversation/mixers:

- Have an ice breaker
- Neighbor trivia game w/prizes
- Photos from past block parties and activities
- Talk about area crime concerns and keeping an eye on each other's
- Update block list for people and pets
- Update block contact list
- Welcome new residents

#### Activities for youth:

- Chalk art
- Bicycle parade/rodeo

- Coloring/maze sheet
- Duck pond
- Face painting
- Games
- Bounce house
- Scavenger hunt
- Skits
- Talent show

#### All-ages activities:

- Book exchange
- Cake walk
- · Celebrate Birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, etc.
- · Ring toss contest
- Live music
- Movies

#### Contribute to your community:

- Beautify a common area
- Cover graffiti
- Plan a fall clean-up or bulb planting
- Voter registration drive
- Collect for a food drive

Plan one or combine several for your NNO block party.

